

During the period there were 12,200 forest fires throughout the country. These fires affected a total area of 372,800 hectares. 2,900 forest fires encompassing 306,200 hectares of forest area occurred in forests under the jurisdiction of the USSR Ministry of the Timber Industry. The Sakhalin, Tyumen', Irkutsk, Novosibirsk and Tomsk oblasts, the Khabarovsk Kray and the Komi ASSR had particularly high incidences of fire.

The industry reached the projected production levels for the main product types except for deliveries of export lumber (98% of the state order).

The state order for the production of commercial timber (104%) and consumer goods other than foodstuffs (107%) as well as for the provision of paid services to the community (122%) were all fulfilled over and above plan.

Although the RSFSR Ministry of Forestry and the Georgian, Azerbaydzhani, Latvian, Armenian and Estonian SSRs reached their planned volumes of production, there was, nevertheless, a slowing down of the pace of growth against the comparable period of 1988.

123 enterprises, including 117 administered by the RSFSR Ministry of Forestry, failed to fulfill their contracted obligations for product deliveries. They failed to deliver products valued at 4.2 million roubles.

RSFSR and Latvian SSR enterprises failed to execute the state orders for a number of industrial products.